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PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE SAME

RESTRICTION RESPONSE

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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated April 25, 2008, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group I, Claims 1–6 (drawn to a member), for examination.

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